IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Divisional application of

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For: RI

REAL-TIME SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM USING

SEPARATE CONTROL AND DATE TRANSMISSION PATHS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

Page 18, line 12, change "FIG. 8 (two sheets) is" to --FIGS. 8A and 8B are--; line 16. change "FIG. 9 (five sheets) is" to --FIGS. 9A and 9E are--.

Page 35, line 20, change "Figure 9" to --Figure 9A-9E-- (both instances).

Page 36, line 7, change "(Figure 9)" to --(Figures 9A-9E)--.

Page 37, line 22, change "Figure 8" to --Figures 8A-8B--.

Page 38, line 12, change "Figure 9" to --Figures 9A-9E--.

Page 39. line 15, change "(Figure 9)" to --(Figures 9A-9E)--.

Page 41, lines 11 and 12, change "Figure 9" to --Figures 9A-9E--; line 14, change "Figure 9" to --Figures 9A-9E--.

Page 42 line 18, change "Figure 8. Figure 8" to --Figures 8A-8B. Figures 8A-8B--.

Page 44. line 12, change "Figure 9" to --Figures 9A-9E--.

This is a Divisional Application of Application No. 09/220,540 filed December 24, 1998, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-28, and 30 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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